GENERAL AFFIRMATIONS

Provider agrees without exception to the following affirmations:

- 1. Provider certifies that he/she/it has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at anytime hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with the Contract.
- 2. Provider certifies that neither Provider nor any firm, corporation, partnership, or institution represented by Provider or anyone acting for such firm, corporation, partnership, or institution has (1) violated the antitrust laws of the State of Texas under Texas Business & Commerce Code, Chapter 15, or federal antitrust laws; or (2) communicated the contents of the Contract or proposal either directly or indirectly to any competitor or any other person engaged in the same line of business during the procurement process for the Contract or proposal.
- 3. Provider certifies that if its business address shown on the Contract is a Texas address, that address is the legal business address of Provider and Provider qualifies as a Texas Resident Bidder under Texas Administrative Code, Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 20.
- 4. Section 2155.004 of the Texas Government Code prohibits the award of a contract that includes proposed financial participation by a person who received compensation from the Subrecipient to participate in preparing the specifications or request for proposals on which the Contract is based. Under Section 2155.004, Government Code, the vendor [Provider] certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or Contract is not ineligible to receive the specified Contract and acknowledges that the Contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 5. Under Texas Family Code section 231.006, a child support obligor who is more than 30 days delinquent in paying child support and a business entity in which the obligor is a sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or owner with an ownership interest of at least 25 percent is not eligible to receive payments from state funds under a contract to provide property, materials, or services. Under Section 231.006, Texas Family Code, the vendor or applicant [Provider] certifies that the individual or business entity named in this Contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this Contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 6. Provider agrees that any payments due under the Contract will be applied towards any debt, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support, Provider owes to the State of Texas.
- 7. The Subrecipient is federally mandated to adhere to the directions provided in the President's Executive Order (EO) 13224, blocking property and prohibiting transactions with persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism and any subsequent changes made to it. The Subrecipient will cross-reference Providers/vendors with the federal System for Award Management (https://www.sam.gov/), which includes the United States Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated National (SDN) list.
- 8. Provider certifies: 1) that the responding entity and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any federal, state, or local governmental entity; 2) that Provider is in compliance with the State of Texas statutes and rules relating to procurement; and 3) that Provider is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224. Entities ineligible for federal procurement are listed at https://www.sam.gov/.

- 9. Under Section 2155.006(b) of the Texas Government Code, the Subrecipient may not enter into a contract that includes proposed financial participation by a person who, during the five year period preceding the date of the bid or award, has been: (1) convicted of violating a federal law in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Section 39.459, Utilities Code, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005; or (2) assessed a penalty in a federal civil or administrative enforcement action in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Section 39.459, Utilities Code, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005. Under Section 2155.006 of the Texas Government Code, Provider certifies that the individual or business entity named in the Contract is not ineligible to receive the specified Contract and acknowledges that the Contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 10. The state auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of any entity receiving state funds directly under the Contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the Contract. Acceptance of funds directly under the Contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the Contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Under the direction of the legislative audit committee, an entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation by the state auditor must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit. Provider shall ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through Provider and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.
- 11. Provider understands that the neither the Subrecipient nor the GLO tolerate any type of fraud. The Subrecipient's policy is to promote consistent, legal, and ethical organizational behavior by assigning responsibilities and providing guidelines to enforce controls. Any violations of law, agency policies, or standards of ethical conduct will be investigated, and appropriate actions will be taken. Providers are expected to report any possible fraudulent or dishonest acts, waste, or abuse affecting any transaction with the GLO to the GLO's Internal Audit Director at 512.463.5338 or to tracey.hall@glo.texas.gov.

<u>NOTE</u>: Information, documentation, and other material related to this Contract may be subject to public disclosure pursuant to the "Public Information Act," Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.

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